

MAYOR AND COUNCIL STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA SUBCOMMITTEE
Transportation

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY
July 11, 2006

ROLL CALL: _____ 3:33 p.m. _____

ADJOURNED: _____ 5:05 p.m. _____

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Shirley Scott, Ward 4, Chair
Council Member Carol West, Ward 2

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Council Member Karin Ulich, Ward 3

AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION	STAFF ACTION
1. Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Update Agenda items were taken out of order due to the large crowd present to hear and speak to item #2, Motorized Bicycles.	Continue regular updates.
2. Motorized Bicycles Staff from the City Manager's and Attorney's offices as well as the Tucson Police Department made a presentation on HB 2796 that exempts motorized electric or gas powered bicycles or tricycles from vehicle registration, certificate of title, license tax, and other laws applicable to motor vehicles. This legislation will go into effect on September 21, 2006 and allows local authorities to regulate or prohibit the use of such vehicles on City streets. Staff summarized the text of the legislation; provided an overview of the rules and requirements for various transportation devices such as motor driven cycles, mopeds, motorized skateboards, etc.; and reported on the background, operations/ characteristics, and law enforcement concerns surrounding these vehicles. State Representative Tom Prezelski, who helped author the legislation, was also present to offer his perspective on the law. Following the discussion members of the audience were invited to comment. A dozen people spoke about the benefits of this form of transportation and their desire that they not be banned. No one spoke in opposition of the motorized bicycles.	Staff was directed to bring this topic back to the August 2, 2006 Transportation Subcommittee meeting with options for consideration.* <i>*The 08/02/06 Transportation Subcommittee meeting was cancelled. This topic was subsequently presented to the Neighborhoods and Safety Subcommittee on 09/07/06 where direction was given to hold a public hearing on this matter at the 09/19/06 regular meeting of the Mayor and Council. After the public hearing, Mayor and Council may consider adopting an ordinance that regulates the operation of motorized gas/electric bicycles in the City limits.</i>
3. Alternative Materials for Sidewalks Irene Ogata of the City's Department of Urban Planning and Design presented different examples of alternative sidewalk materials and discussed their respective maintenance requirements.	
1. Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Update 4. Pavements that Reduce Heat Island Effect 5. Impact Fee Funded Projects 6. Update/Status of the New Private Improvement Agreement (PIA) Process	Due to a lack of time, these topics were postponed until a future meeting.